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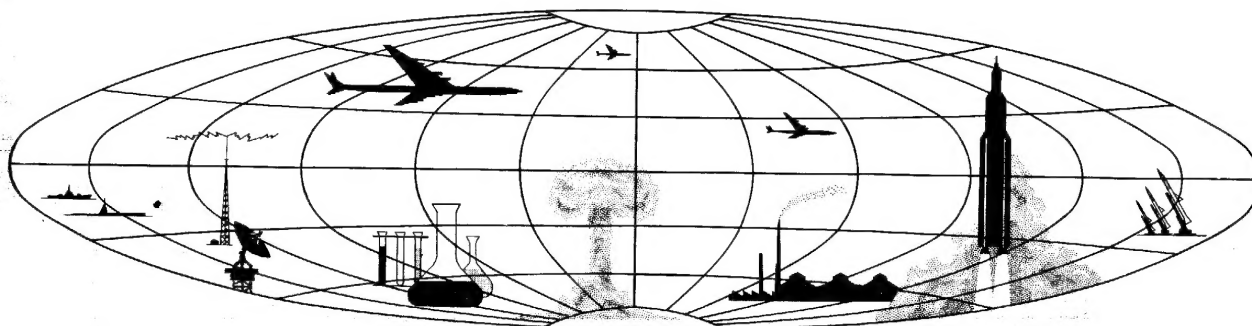
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PREFACE

THIS MISSION COVERAGE INDEX (MCI) LISTS THE INTELLIGENCE TARGETS IMAGED ON THE PHOTOGRAPHY

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ITEMS ARE ARRANGED IN TWO SECTIONS.

SECTION I PROVIDES SHORT DESCRIPTIONS FOR NEWLY IDENTIFIED TARGETS AND PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TARGETS SHOWING CHANGE, AND ALSO PROVIDES ORDER OF BATTLE INFORMATION.

SECTION II PROVIDES A LISTING OF THOSE TARGETS WHICH REFLECT NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES FROM THE MOST ADEQUATE PREVIOUS DESCRIPTION. THE MCI IN WHICH THIS DESCRIPTION APPEARS IS DESIGNATED BY THE APPROPRIATE MISSION NUMBER, PREFIXED BY THE LETTERS NAC AND APPEARING AS THE LAST ENTRY ON THE PHOTO REFERENCE LINE. MILITARY INSTALLATIONS WHERE THERE IS NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN FACILITIES AND WHERE NO ORDER OF BATTLE CAN BE DETERMINED ARE LISTED UNDER THIS SECTION.

TARGETS IN EACH SECTION ARE ARRANGED
1) WITHIN THE COUNTRY ACCORDING TO SUBJECT,
2) WITHIN THE SUBJECT BY WAC AREA, AND
3) WITHIN THE WAC AREA BY GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATES IN ASCENDING ORDER. AN EXPLANATION OF COLUMN HEADINGS AND PHOTO REFERENCES USED IN PRESENTING THE INFORMATION IS CONTAINED IN THE APPENDIX. THE MAP BASE USED (WHEN AVAILABLE) FOR THE DERIVATION OF

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COORDINATES IN THIS MCI IS THE LATEST EDITION OF THE AMS SERIES L509, SCALE 1/250,000, L004, 1/50,000, AND THE ATC SERIES 200, SCALE 1/200,000.

THE USER OF THIS MCI IS CAUTIONED THAT THE SCAN OF PHOTOGRAPHY WAS ACCOMPLISHED IN A RELATIVELY SHORT TIME AND OFTEN WITHOUT THE AID OF PRECISE ANALYTICAL AND MENSURAL TECHNIQUES COMMONLY EMPLOYED IN DETAILED PHOTOGRAPHIC ANALYSIS. CONSEQUENTLY, ALTHOUGH THE INFORMATION PRESENTED HEREIN IS ESSENTIALLY ACCURATE, ADDITIONAL, DETAILED ANALYSIS MAY SOMEWHAT ALTER PORTIONS OF THE INFORMATION.

SECTION I

THIS SECTION PROVIDES SHORT DESCRIPTIONS FOR NEWLY IDENTIFIED TARGETS AND PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TARGETS SHOWING CHANGE, AND ALSO PROVIDES ORDER OF BATTLE INFORMATION.

Target	Coordinates	WAC	Target Numbers	
			BE	NPIC
<p>NOTE -- AAA DEFENSES ARE DIVIDED INTO THREE BASIC CATEGORIES -- LIGHT (ZPU-2, ZPU-4, 37MM), MEDIUM (57MM, 85MM), AND HEAVY (100MM AND LARGER). WHERE SUCH A CATEGORY CANNOT BE DETERMINED, THE SITE WILL BE LISTED AS AN AAA SITE AND THE NUMBER OF GUNS INDICATED (EXAMPLE 6-GUN AAA SITE, OCCUPIED/ UNOCCUPIED).</p> <p>-LAOS-</p> <p>AIR INSTALLATIONS</p> <p>NA KOUANG AREA, LANDING STRIP NORTH 5.3 NM NORTH OF NA KOUANG AND 0.3 NM WSW OF NA KHANG. 1,900 X 110 FT NE/SW SOD RUNWAY, SERVICEABLE. SUPPORT FACILITIES INCLUDE 10 BUILDINGS AT NE EDGE OF RUNWAY AND A WINDSOCK. APPROXIMATELY 50 PERSONNEL OBSERVED IN SUPPORT AREA. AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.</p> <p>25X1D [REDACTED]</p> <p>BAN NGOUA AIRFIELD 1.0 NM SW OF BAN NGOUA. 4,200 X 70 FT ENE/WSW GRADED EARTH RUNWAY, UNSERVICEABLE. AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.</p> <p>25X1D [REDACTED]</p> <p>MUONG PHANH AIRFIELD 1.6 NM WEST OF BAN NON HON. 6,800 X 155 FT E/W GRADED EARTH RUNWAY WITH</p>	<p>2001N 10329E</p> <p>1920N 10308E</p> <p>1926N 10305E</p>	<p>0616</p> <p>0617</p> <p>0617</p>	<p>273</p> <p>25X1A [REDACTED]</p> <p>479-A</p> <p>427</p>	

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Target	Coordinates	WAC	Target Numbers	
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ONLY THE EASTERN 3,100 FT POSSIBLY SERVICEABLE. GRADING ACTIVITY ON WESTERN SECTION OF RUNWAY APPEARS TO HAVE RESUMED. ONE TRUCK AND 1 STEAMROLLER OBSERVED ON RUNWAY. ONE ROAD GRADER, 2 STEAMROLLERS, AND NUMEROUS TRUCKS OBSERVED IN AREA. EXTENSIVE TRACK ACTIVITY THROUGHOUT AREA AND LEADING TO ACTIVITY IN QUARRY 1.3 NM SW AT UTM TG965480. COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED] [REDACTED]				
25X1A 25X1D BAN NON HON AREA, LANDING STRIPS 1.6 NM WEST OF BAN NON HON. (1) 4,200 X 175 FT NE/SW GRADED EARTH AND SOD LANDING STRIP, PROBABLY UNSERVICEABLE, AND (2) A 4,600 X 175 FT NE/SW SOD LANDING STRIP, PROBABLY UNSERVICEABLE (JUST EAST OF STRIP (1)). FACILITIES INCLUDE 1 SUPPORT BUILDING AND 4 DESTROYED BUILDINGS NORTH OF STRIP (1). ONE TRUCK OBSERVED. AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED. [REDACTED]	1926N 10305E	0617		427-A
25X1D BAN SAO, LANDING STRIP IMMEDIATELY NW OF BAN SAO AT UTM UG015505. 1,700 X 100 FT N/S SOD RUNWAY, SERVICEABLE.	1927N 10307E	2617		427-D

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<p>TEN DERELICT TRUCKS OBSERVED. AIRCRAFT -- 2 DERELICT COLT.</p> <p>25X1D [REDACTED]</p> <p>PHONG SAVAN AIRFIELD 11 NM NW OF XIENG KHOUANG AT UTM UG135527. 3,000 X 160 FT NW/SE SOD RUNWAY, SERVICEABLE. FACILITIES INCLUDE 2 SUPPORT BUILDINGS IMMEDIATELY WEST OF THE SE END OF RUNWAY. FOUR STRONGPOINTS OBSERVED PARALLEL TO EAST SIDE OF RUNWAY AT UTM UG133222. ONE ROADGRADER AND 1 TRUCK OBSERVED. AIRCRAFT -- 1 DERELICT HELICOPTER. COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED]</p> <p>25X1A [REDACTED]</p> <p>25X1D [REDACTED]</p> <p>BAN SEN AREA, AIRFIELD 1.0 NM NE OF BAN SEN AT UTM TG990709. 1,700 X 100 FT NNE/SSW SOD RUNWAY, UNSERVICEABLE. SUPPORT AREA JUST EAST OF SSW END OF RUNWAY HAS BEEN DISMANTLED. ONE BOMB CRATER OBSERVED JUST WEST OF RUNWAY. TWO PROBABLE PT-76 TANKS OBSERVED ON EDGE OF WOODS APPROXIMATELY 0.5 NM WNW OF RUNWAY CENTER AT UTM TG982714. AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.</p> <p>25X1D [REDACTED]</p> <p>THAM MOUK AREA, LANDING STRIPS 5.5 NM NE OF THAM MOUK AT UTM UG250860. (1) 700 X 70 FT NW/SE NATURAL SURFACE</p>	<p>1927N 10313E</p> <p>1937N 10305E</p> <p>1946N 10320E</p>	<p>0617</p> <p>0617</p> <p>0617</p>	<p>25X1A [REDACTED]</p> <p>426-A</p> <p>428</p>	<p>121</p>

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Target	Coordinates	WAC	Target Numbers	
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<p>LANDING STRIP, UNSERVICEABLE, AND (2) 850 X 70 FT NE/SW GRADED EARTH LANDING STRIP, SERVICEABLE, WITH ENTRENCHED STRONGPOINT ADJACENT TO SW END (2ND STRIP LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 800 FT NE OF LANDING STRIP (1)). AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.</p> <p>25X1D [REDACTED]</p> <p>MILITARY INSTALLATIONS</p> <p>BAN NON HON AREA, STRONGPOINTS THREE STRONGPOINTS IN BAN NON HON VICINITY.</p> <p>STRONGPOINT A -- NOT COVERED.</p> <p>STRONGPOINT B (UTM TG979494) -- ABANDONED.</p> <p>STRONGPOINT C (UTM TG967508) -- ABANDONED.</p> <p>25X1D [REDACTED]</p> <p>BAN SAO, ARMOR STORAGE AND MAINTENANCE AREA FOUR MILITARY AREAS IN BAN SAO VICINITY.</p> <p>25X1D AREAS A, B, AND D -- NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE [REDACTED]</p> <p>AREA C (0.5 NM EAST OF THE SOUTH END OF BAN SAO LANDING STRIP) -- NO BUILDINGS OBSERVED. AREA APPEARS ABANDONED.</p> <p>25X1D [REDACTED]</p> <p>BAN POUNG NOI AREA, MILITARY ACTIVITY TWELVE LIGHT AAA SITES IN BAN POUNG NOI VICINITY.</p>	<p>1925N 10304E</p> <p>1927N 10307E</p> <p>1933N 10305E</p>	<p>0617</p> <p>0617</p> <p>0617</p>	<p>427-K</p> <p>427-E</p> <p>426-F</p>	



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SITE A (UTM TG993640) -- 4-GUN, UNOCCUPIED. SITES B, F, AND G -- NOT COVERED. SITE C (UTM TG996648) -- 4-GUN, UNOCCUPIED. SITE D (UTM TG992656) -- 4-GUN, OCCUPIED. SITE E (UTM TG996640) -- 4-GUN, UNOCCUPIED. SITE H (UTM UG001646) -- 4-GUN, UNOCCUPIED. SITE I (UTM UG001649) -- 4-GUN, UNOCCUPIED. SITE J (UTM UG008650) -- 4-GUN, UNOCCUPIED. SITE K (UTM UG006644) -- 4-GUN, UNOCCUPIED. SITE L (UTM TG988645) -- NEWLY IDENTIFIED 4-GUN, OCCUPIED. 				
BAN BAN AREA, MILITARY AREAS SIX MILITARY AREAS IN BAN BAN VICINITY (REFERENCED FROM BAN BAN). AREA A (1.2 NM NORTH AT UTM UG504726) -- IRREGULAR TRENCH SYSTEM WITH 3 UNOCCUPIED POSSIBLE AAA POSITIONS. AREA B (0.9 NM NNE AT UTM UG507722) -- AREA IS DETERIORATED AND APPARENTLY ABANDONED.	1939N 10333E	0617		159-B

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<p>AREA C (2.1 NM NW AT UTM UG522731) -- 2 UNOCCUPIED POSSIBLE AAA POSITIONS ENCLOSED BY A TRENCH SYSTEM.</p> <p>AREA D (1.0 NM NE AT UTM UG511720) -- CIRCULAR TRENCH SYSTEM IS DETERIORATED AND AREA IS APPARENTLY ABANDONED.</p> <p>AREA E (1.2 NM NNE AT UTM UG502728) -- OBLONG TRENCH SYSTEM IS DETERIORATED AND AREA IS APPARENTLY ABANDONED.</p> <p>AREA F (1.1 NM ENE AT UTM UG517718) -- CIRCULAR STRONGPOINT WITH TRENCH SYSTEM WITH NUMEROUS FIRING BAYS IS DETERIORATED AND ABANDONED.</p> <p></p> <p>MISCELLANEOUS</p> <p>ROUTE 7</p> <p>SINGLE-LANE, NATURAL SURFACE, ALL-WEATHER ROAD IN GOOD CONDITION OBSERVED INTERMITTENTLY FROM 19-32N 103-06E TO 19-28N 103-14E AND FROM 19-38N 103-31E TO 19-37N 103-34E. BRIDGE IN BAN BAN AREA (19-37N 103-33E) IS STILL OUT, BUT TRACK ACTIVITY INDICATES USE OF A FORD JUST NORTH OF THE BRIDGE SITE. TWO TANKS PARKED AT 19-28N 103-14E AND 2 TRUCKS PARKED AT 19-27N 103-13E.</p> <p></p>				

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APPENDIX

COLUMN HEADINGS

City, Installation--This column contains the name of the city or town nearest the installation, followed by the name of the installation. If the name of the installation is not known, it is titled according to its function. Where appropriate, the city and installation names are followed by a capsule description.

Coordinates--Coordinates are referenced to the SW corner of the minute square. When the subject installation covers a wide area, coordinates are given for the approximate center of the installation.

WAC--This column provides the World Aeronautical Chart number for that area in which the subject installation is situated.

Installation Numbers--This column is divided into two subcolumns. The first subcolumn lists, when known, the BE installation number assigned to the installation. The second subcolumn lists the installation number assigned by NPIC. Installation numbers, when used to reference an item, should be prefixed by the appropriate WAC number, since installation numbers are repeated from WAC to

WAC. For example, there is an NPIC target number 0499-15-A and an NPIC target number 0498-15-A. In each instance, the NPIC installation number is 15-A, but the installations appear on different WAC charts.

COMOR TARGET NUMBERS

Target numbers assigned by the Committee on Overhead Reconnaissance (COMOR), when available, are listed directly above the photo reference data.

PHOTO REFERENCE DATA

The photo reference data indicates the frame(s) on which the installation appears.

CONDITIONS AFFECTING PHOTOGRAPHY

Following the photo reference data, symbols indicate conditions which affect the appearance of the installation on the photography. The symbols are: C (clear); SC (scattered clouds); HC (heavy clouds); SC-HC (scattered-to-heavy clouds); H (haze); CS (cloud shadow); SD (semi-darkness); O (obliquity); and PQ (poor image quality).

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